THE MINISTER OF RAILWAYS (SHRI A. B. A. GHANI KHAN CHOUDHURY): (a) and (b) Allotment of funds for any particular project is made only on annual basis. The Karur-Dindigul Railway line is not a project in itself but forms part of the Karur- Dindigul- Madurai- Maniyachchi-Tirunelveli/Tuticorin B. G. line project.

This project was sanctioned in 1981-82 and year-wise expenditure upto 1983-84 is as under:—

1981-82	.. ..	Rs. 2.00 crores
1982-83	.. ..	Rs. 2.50 crores
1983-84	.. ..	Rs. 1.66 crores

In 1984-85, Rs. 10.00 crores has been allotted for this work.

Approximately, Rs. 7.25 crores have been spent on this project upto 30-6-1984.

Vacancies in faculty posts in Jawaharlal Nehru Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Sciences, Pondicherry

1019. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the year-wise break-up of vacancies in different faculty posts in the Jawaharlal Nehru Post Graduate Institute of Medical Studies at Pondicherry;

(b) whether any memorandum has been submitted to Government in this regard; if so, what are the details thereof; and

(c) what steps are being taken by Government for an early filling of these vacancies?

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI B. SHANKARANAND): (a) The year-wise break-up of vacancies in different faculty posts in the Jawaharlal Institute of Post-graduate Medical Education and Research, Pondicherry during the last four years is given below:

	1981	1982	1983	1984
Professors	10	13	12	9
Associate Professors	9	9	4	9
Assistant Professor/Lecturer	22	22	25	12

(b) The JIPMER Students Association in their representation for doubling the Post Graduate seats had also made a submission that the vacant faculty posts in the Jawaharlal Institute of Post-graduate Medical Education and Research, Pondicherry should be filled up.

(c) Efforts are being made on a continuing basis to fill up the vacant posts.

Seats in the Jawaharlal Nehru Post-Graduate Institute of Medical Studies, Pondicherry

1020. SHRI V. GOPALSAMY: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) what is the year-wise break-up of the number of seats available in various courses of higher studies in the Jawaharlal Nehru Post-Graduate